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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

TIMTU WOLDEMARIAM, Parent and
Guardian on behalf of EZANA KIDANE,
A Disabled Student.

Plaintiff,

v.

SEATTLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, a
Washington Municipal Corporation.

Defendant.

Case No. 2:19-cv-00299-MAT

~~[PROPOSED]~~ **STIPULATED ORDER
APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND FOR
DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS**

NOTING DATE: AUGUST 10, 2020

THIS MATTER having come before the undersigned Judge of the above-entitled Court on Plaintiff's Motion for Approval of Settlement and for Disbursement of Funds pursuant to LCR 17(c). Upon the Court having reviewed the records and files herein, including the following:

1. Plaintiff's Motion for Approval of Settlement and Disbursement of Funds;
2. Declaration of Susan B. Mindenbergs, attached Exhibits 1-4, including the Report of the Settlement Guardian ad Litem Jo-Hanna Read;
3. Declaration of Jo-Hanna Read as part of the Court's review;
4. Supplemental Report of the Settlement Guardian ad Litem; and
5. Supplemental Declaration of Jo-Hanna Read.

1 It is hereby ORDERED, as follows:

2 Defendant Seattle School District shall pay the settlement amount of TWO HUNDRED
3 SEVENTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$217,500.00), inclusive of any and all
4 attorney fees, costs, SGAL fees, to be made payable to Susan B. Mindenbergs in Trust for Plaintiff
5 Ezana Kidane. Said amount will be paid within twenty-one (21) days of entry of the Court's
6 approval of the distribution of the settlement funds and receipt of a signed copy of the Settlement
7 Agreement and Release of All Claims. Upon payment of the settlement funds the release shall
8 become effective.

9 The proposed distribution of the gross settlement amount herein is found to be reasonable
10 and approved in accordance with the Settlement Guardian ad Litem's Report and summarized below.

11 The net proceeds from the settlement in the amount of \$128,768.96 shall be placed in Trust
12 for Plaintiff Ezana Kidane, an incompetent person. The Court further authorizes Timtu
13 Woldemariam, Parent and Guardian of Ezana Kidane, to execute all settlement documents on his
14 behalf.

15 Plaintiff's attorney's request for reimbursement for all advanced costs associated with the
16 litigation of this case, totaling the amount of \$8,581.04 is granted.

17 Plaintiff's attorney's request for 35% of her contingent fee in the amount of \$76,125.00 for
18 attorney fees is granted.

19 The Settlement Guardian ad Litem's request for fees for time, services, and costs incurred
20 for investigating the adequacy of the proposed settlement totaling the amount of \$4,025.00 is
21 granted.

22 ENTERED this 12th day of August, 2020.

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24 Mary Alice Theiler
25 United States Magistrate Judge
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1 Respectfully submitted this 10th day of August 2020.

2 By: /s/ Susan B. Mindenbergs

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